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Segmentation and Data Mining for Gel Electrophoresis Images

Title of Invention

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Date: May 18, 2006

COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION ENTERING NATIONAL STAGE IN U.S. DESIGNATED OFFICE (DO/US) UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371

This replies to the Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.494 (FORM PCT/DO/EO/905).

A copy of FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 accompanies this response.

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DECLARATION OR OATH

I. No original declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

FEES

II.

1. Surcharge fees

Surcharge for filing the oath or declaration later than thirty months from the priority date pursuant to § 1.495(c) and § 1.492(h):

\$ 65.00

Total fees \$65.00

SMALL ENTITY STATUS

III. An assertion that this filing is by a small entity was filed on January 5, 2006 (original).

EXTENSION OF TIME

IV. The proceedings herein are for a patent application. The provisions of 37 C.F.R. section 1.1 36(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE DUE

V. The total fee due is:

Completion fee(s)

\$65.00

TOTAL FEE DUE

\$65.00

PAYMENT OF FEES

VI. Attached is a check in the amount of \$65.00.

Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above.

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AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

VII. Please charge, in the manner authorized above, the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application:

37 C.F.R. §§ 1.492(a)(2), 1.492(a)(3), or 1.492(a)(5) (filing fees)

37 C.F.R. § 1.492(b) (presentation of extra claims)

37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (application processing fees)

37 C.F.R. § 1.492(e) and (f) (surcharge fees for filing the declaration and/or an English translation of an international application later than 20 months from the earliest claimed priority date)

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/05/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/05/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 01/05/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 01/05/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/05/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/05/2006
- Power of Attorney filed on 01/05/2006
- Specification filed on 01/05/2006
- Claims filed on 01/05/2006
- Abstracts filed on 01/05/2006
- Drawings filed on 01/05/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27,

must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

• \$65 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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